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September 2, 2005

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Kansas Dept. of Health and Environment
South Central District Office
Waste Management Program
130 S Market, Suite 6050
Wichita, Kansas 67202-3802

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RE:

Completion of Corrective Action RCRA Compliance Inspection August 11, 2005 US EPA ID No. KSD 007 246 846



Dear Ms. Travis: 1988 1995, Avenue to long a college of weeks to the property of approve

Clean Harbors Kansas, LLC facility is responding to the inspection performed by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), performed on August 10 and 11, 2005. For clarity, our responses are organized according to the alleged violations and comments from the Notice of Compliance/Non-Compliance form dated August 11, 2005, which are shown below in bold text.

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1. KAR 28-31-4 (g)(2) Failure to mark or label a 55 gallon storage drum with an accumulation start date.

The container in question is used to collect rainwater removed from containment sumps in the facility. Although the container is located in a secondary containment area, the container was different than other containers at the facility in that it was located on a pallet with a pump, and hose that are used to transfer rainwater from the sumps to the container. The container was under the control of the operator and securely located in the facility to minimize the chance for being hit or damaged by vehicles. The container is managed in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR §264 subpart I; the accumulated rainwater is held in a non-leaking container, the container is compatible with the waste, the container remains closed except to add or remove waste, and the container is labeled with the words "Hazardous Waste." The normal practice of the operator, Nate Embry, is to fill the container and then write the accumulation start date on the container as per KAR 28-31-4 (j)(2). At the time of the inspection, the container in question was approximately one third full and following the practices of paragraph (j)(2) did not have an accumulation start date when first noticed on August 10.

In order to address the concerns of KDHE, an accumulation start date was entered onto the appropriate area of the hazardous waste label at the time of the inspection. Since this issue was resolved at the time of the inspection, Clean Harbors requests that this alleged violation be rescinded.

2. Permit Part I, Section III.E.I [40 CFR 264, Subpart I]; Failure to manage a 5-gallon storage container properly [not labeled hazardous waste, open, not labeled with an accumulation start date and storing hazardous waste over 90 days.]

The 5-gallon container observed by the inspector is considered a part of the processing equipment associated with the vapor scrubber in Building J. The container was located next to an identical container on a platform approximately 9 feet above the floor. These units are considered overflow catch cans in the event the connected scrubber reservoirs had a "burp". In the event of a "burp", excess water from the scrubber reservoir would flow into the container through a hose running from the reservoir into the container. A second hose attached to the container siphons the excess water back into the reservoir when the internal pressure of the reservoir drops. As configured, these containers are part of the process and the contents do not need to be managed as a hazardous waste until after they have been removed from the overflow containers and determined through knowledge or testing to be hazardous waste. In order to alleviate the concerns of the KDHE, the contents of the container were emptied into an appropriate container and properly managed as hazardous waste. Clean Harbors requests that this alleged violation be rescinded.

A. Manifest: Initial all changes on the manifest.

All personnel handling manifests have been instructed that any changes made to manifests must be initialed by the person making the change, at the location of the change, at the time that the change is made.

B. Laboratory: Clean out materials inside the fume heod.

The chemicals were removed from the fume hood and lab packed into one 20 gallon container for transportation on August 30, 2005. The materials were manifested (IL 10660055, line 11A) offsite for disposal at the Clean Harbors Chicago facility.

If you need any additional information, please feel free to contact me at 602-462-2315.

Sincerely,

Lon Stewart

Regulatory Compliance Manager

Enclosure: Copy of Manifest IL0660055

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